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IMPROVED METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR TRIMMING
ALUMINUM SHEET

Attorney Docket No. 129249-2

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

July 16, 1998

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 19, 1998, Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I. Applicants further elect, with traverse, to prosecute the species embodied in Claim 10 and the claims that depend therefrom, namely, the method of trimming aluminum sheet including the step of securing an aluminum sheet at a cutting angle of at least about 10 degrees.

If it would facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (412) 566-6109.

Respectfully submitted,

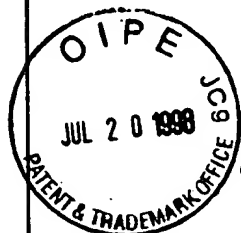
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